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BAR ADMISSION CEREMONY TO BE HELD MAY 8

Illinois Appellate Court Presiding Judge Robert E. Byrne will administer the attorney's oath to 47 new lawyers who will be admitted to practice in Illinois in Elgin on Thursday, May 8.

The group is among 765 men and women who were certified as candidates and will be sworn in as Illinois attorneys at ceremonies in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

The Elgin program in the Second Judicial District will begin at 10 a.m. in the Hemmens Memorial Building Auditorium at the Elgin Civic Center Plaza located at 150 Dexter Court.

Judge Byrne will preside over the ceremony and welcome the members of the class, their families and friends.

Members of the Second Judicial District Appellate Court who will be in attendance include: Judges Robert D. McLaren from DuPage County; John J. Bowman from DuPage County; Thomas E. Callum from DuPage County; R. Peter Grometer from Kane County; Barbara Gilleran Johnson from Lake County; Kathryn E. Zenoff from Winnebago County; Susan F. Hutchinson from McHenry County and Jack M. O'Malley from McHenry County.

Richard D. Felice, from the Illinois State Bar Association Board of Governors, will make the motion to admit the class.

Fred A. Spitzzeri, president of the DuPage County Bar Association, will second the motion to admit the class.

A reception will follow.

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All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination, a required ethics examination and were certified by the Committee on Character and Fitness.

The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 85,000.

Media coverage is invited.

The Second Judicial District consists of DuPage, Lake, McHenry, Kane, Kendall, DeKalb, Boone, Lee, Ogle, Winnebago, Stephenson, Carroll and Jo Daviess counties.

The ceremonies in the other districts will be held in Chicago, Collinsville, Springfield and Ottawa.

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